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FIRST SERVICE.

At the beginning of the Service, the Miniſter ſhall read ſome one or more of theſe ſentences of the Scriptures that follow: and then he ſhall ſay that which is written after the ſaid ſentences.

WHEN the wicked man turneth away from his wickedneſs that e hath committed, and doeth that hich is lawful and right, he ſhall ſave is ſoul alive. *Ezek.* xviii. 27.

Seek ye the Lord while he may be und, call ye upon him while he is ar. Let the wicked forſake his way, nd the unrighteous man his thoughts;

and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him ; and to our God for he will abundantly pardon. *Iſaiah* lv. 6, 7.

The ſacrifices of God are a broken ſpirit ; a broken and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not deſpiſe. *Pſalm* li. 17.

Rend your heart, and not your garments ; and turn unto the Lord your God : for he is gracious and merciful, ſlow to anger, and of great kindneſs, and repenteth him of the evil. *Joel* ii. 13.

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveneſſes, though we have rebelled againſt him : neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws which he hath ſet before us. *Dan.* ix. 9, 10.

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Enter not into judgment with thy ſervant, O Lord; for in thy ſight no man living ſhall be juſtified. *Pſa.* cxliii 2.

If we ſay that we have no ſin, we deceive ourſelves, and the truth is not in us: But if we confeſs our ſins, God is faithful and kind to forgive us our ſins, and to cleanſe us from all unrighteouſneſs. 1 *John* i. 8, 9.

The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worſhippers ſhall worſhip the Father in ſpirit and in truth: for the Father ſeeketh ſuch to worſhip him. God is a ſpirit; and they that worſhip him, muſt worſhip him in ſpirit and in truth. *John* iv. 23, 24.

DEARLY beloved brethern, the Scripture moveth us in ſundry places to acknowledge and confeſs our

manifold ſins and wickedneſs before the face of almighty God our heavenly Father, with a lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveneſs of the ſame by his infinite goodneſs and mercy. And as we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our ſins before God, ſo ought we to do, when we aſſemble and meet together, to render thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hands, to ſet forth his moſt worthy praiſe, to hear his moſt holy word, and to aſk thoſe things which are requiſite and neceſſary as well for the body as the ſoul. Wherefore I pray and beſeech you, as many as are here preſent, to accompany me with a pure heart and a humble voice, to the throne of the heavenly grace; ſaying after me;

¶ A

¶ *A general confeſſion to be ſaid of the whole congregation after the Miniſter.*

ALMIGHTY and moſt merciful Father; We have erred and ſtrayed from thy ways like loſt ſheep; We have followed too much the devices and deſires of our own hearts; We have offended againſt thy holy laws; We have left undone thoſe things which we ought to have done; And we have done thoſe things which we ought not to have done. But thou, O Lord have mercy upon us. Spare thou them, O God who confeſs their faults. Reſtore thou them that are penitent; According to thy promiſes declared unto mankind by Chriſt Jeſus our Lord. And grant O moſt merciful Father, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and ſober life, to the glory of thy holy name. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open; all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts from all evil, and renew us in the spirit of our minds, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy name through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven: Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us: And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Minister say,*

O LORD, open thou our lips.

Ans. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

¶ *The*

¶ *Then ſhall be ſaid the* XCVth *Pſalm, or, the* Cth *Pſalm. At the end of each of theſe the following doxology to be uſed.*

Min. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, God only wiſe;

Anſ. Be honour and glory, through Jeſus Chriſt, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

1 *Tim.* i. 17. *Rom.* xvi. 27.

PSALM XCV.

O COME, let us ſing unto the LORD, let us heartily rejoice in the ſtrength of our ſalvation.

Let us come before his preſence with thankſgiving; and ſhew ourſelves glad in him with pſalms.

For the LORD is the great God; and the great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth; and the ſtrength of the hills is his alſo.

The ſea is his, and he made it; and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worſhip, and fall down, and kneel before the LORD, our Maker.

For he is the LORD our God; and we are the people of his paſture, and the ſheep of his hand.

To-day, when ye ſhall hear his voice, harden not your hearts; as in the provocation, and in the day of temptation in the wilderneſs;

When *the children of Iſrael*, tempted me, proved me, and ſaw my works forty years.

Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and ſaid; it is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways.

Unto whom I ſware in my wrath that they ſhould not enter into my reſt.

Now

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, God only wise;

Ans. Be honour and glory, through Jesus Christ, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Or this Psalm.

PSALM C.

O BE joyful in the LORD, all ye lands; serve the LORD with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the LORD, he is God: he hath made us, and we are his; his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.

For the LORD is gracious; his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Now

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, God only wiſe;

Anſw. Be honor and glory, through Jeſus Chriſt, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Then ſhall be read the firſt leſſon, taken out of the Old Teſtament.*

¶ *After that let the following Pſalm be read.*

PSALM CXLV.

I WILL magnify thee, O God, my King; and I will praiſe thy name for ever and ever.

Every day will I give thanks unto thee, and praiſe thy name for ever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and marvellous, worthy to be praiſed: there is no end of his greatneſs.

One generation ſhall praiſe thy works unto another, and declare thy power.

As

As for me, I will be talking of thy worſhip, thy glory, thy praiſe, and wondrous works;

So that men ſhall ſpeak of the might of thy marvellous acts; and I will alſo tell of thy greatneſs.

The memorial of thine abundant kindneſs ſhall be ſhewed: and men ſhall ſing of thy righteouſneſs.

The LORD is gracious and merciful; long-ſuffering, and of great goodneſs.

The LORD is loving unto every man, and his mercy is over all his works.

All thy works praiſe thee, O LORD; and thy ſaints give thanks unto thee.

They ſhew the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;

That thy power, thy glory, and the mightineſs of thy kingdom might be known unto men.

Thy

Thy kingdom is an everlaſting kingdom, and thy dominion endureth through-out all ages.

The LORD upholdeth all ſuch as fall; and lifteth up all thoſe that are bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon thee, O LORD; and thou giveſt them their meat in due ſeaſon.

Thou openeſt thine hand, and filleſt all things living with plenteouſneſs.

The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.

The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him: yea, all ſuch as call upon him faithfully.

He will fulfil the deſire of them that fear him; he alſo will hear their cry, and will help them.

The

The LORD preſerveth all them that love him; but ſcattereth abroad all the ungodly.

My mouth ſhall ſpeak the praiſe of the LORD; and let all fleſh give thanks unto his holy name for ever and ever.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, God only wiſe;

Anſ. Be honor and glory, through Jeſus Chriſt, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Then ſhall be read the ſecond leſſon, taken out of the New Teſtament, and after that the Hymn following.

ST. LUKE, *ch.* i. *ver.* 68.

BLESSED be the LORD God of Iſrael; for he hath viſited and redeemed his people;

And hath raiſed up a mighty ſalvation for us, in the houſe of his ſervant David;

As

As he ſpake by the mouth of his ho-
ly prophets, which have been ſince th
world began;

That we ſhould be ſaved from ou
enemies, and from the hands of a
that hate us:

To perform the mercy promiſed t
our forefathers; and to remember hi
holy covenant.

That we being delivered from our en
emies, might ſerve him without fear;

In holineſs and righteouſneſs befor
him, all the days of our life.

Now unto the King eternal, immor
tal, inviſible, God only wiſe;

Anſ. Be honor and glory, throug
Jeſus Chriſt, for ever and ever. *Amen*

¶ *Then ſhall be read three collects; th*
firſt of which ſhall be one of theſe fo
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lowing, at the choice of the Miniſter, unleſs where there is one appointed to be uſed on ſome particular occaſion: the ſecond for peace: the third for grace.

BLESSED LORD God who haſt cauſed all holy ſcriptures to be written for our learning; grant that we may in ſuch wiſe hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digeſt them; that by patience and comfort of thy holy word, we may embrace and ever hold faſt, the joyful hope of everlaſting life, which thou haſt given us in our Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

ALMIGHTY and everlaſting God, who art always more ready to hear than we to pray, and art wont to give more than we either requeſt or deſerve: Pour down upon us the abundance of thy mercy, forgiving us thoſe things whereof our conſciences are afraid, and

and giving us thoſe good things which we are encouraged to aſk through thy great mercies in Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

DELIVER, O Lord, we beſeech thee thy faithful people from ignorance and error; and guide them by the continual direction of thy holy Spirit; that they may plenteouſly bring forth the fruits of good works, and of thee be plenteouſly rewarded, according to thy gracious promiſes in Chriſt Jeſus our our Lord. *Amen.*

The ſecond collect for peace.

O GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in the knowledge of whom conſiſteth our eternal life, whoſe ſervice is perfect freedom; grant us thy continual protection, that we may be ſafe from all our enemies,

and

and evermore give thanks unto thee in the congregation of thy people, through Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

The third Collect, for grace.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlaſting God, who haſt ſafely brought us to this day, defend us evermore by thy mighty power, and grant that we fall into no ſin, neither run into any kind of harm. Give unto thy ſervants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be ſet to obey thy commandments, and alſo that by thee we being defended from the fear of evil, may paſs our time in reſt and quietneſs, for thy mercy's ſake in Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the Clergy and People.

ALMIGHTY and everlaſting God, who art the Author of every good and perfect gift; ſend down upon all Miniſters of the goſpel, and upon all congregations committed to their charge, the needful Spirit of thy grace; and, that they may truly pleaſe thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy bleſſing. This we humbly aſk in the name of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for the high court of Parliament, to be read during their ſeſſion.

ALMIGHTY and moſt merciful God, we humbly beſeech thee, as for this kingdom in general, ſo eſpecially for the high court of Parliament at this time aſſembled; that thou would'eſt be pleaſed to direct and proſper all their conſultations, to the advancement of thy glory, the good of thy church

the ſafety, honor and welfare of theſe kingdoms; that all things may be ſo ordered and ſettled by their endeavours, upon the beſt and ſureſt foundations, that peace and happineſs, truth and juſtice, religion and piety, may be eſtabliſhed among us for all generations. Theſe and all other neceſſaries, for them, for us, and thy whole church, we humbly beg for thy mercy's ſake in Jeſus Chriſt, our moſt bleſſed Lord and Saviour, *Amen.*

A Prayer for all Conditions of Men.

O GOD, the Creator and Preſerver of all mankind; we humbly beſeech thee for all ſorts and conditions of men, from the King upon the throne, to the pooreſt of the people, that thou would-ſt be pleaſed to make thy way known unto them: thy ſaving health unto all nations. More eſpecially we pray for the good eſtate of the whole chriſtian

church in all parts of the world, that it may be ſo guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profeſs and call themſelves Chriſtians, may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of Spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteouſneſs of life. Finally we commend to thy fatherly goodneſs all thoſe who are any ways afflicted, or diſtreſſed in mind, body, or eſtate (* *eſpecially thoſe for whom our prayers are deſired*) that it may pleaſe thee to comfort and relieve them according to their ſeveral neceſſities, giving them patience under their ſufferings, and a happy iſſue out of all their afflictions. And this we humbly aſk as the diſciples of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

* This to be ſaid, when any deſire the prayers of the congregation.

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A general Thankſgiving.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy ſervants, do give thee moſt humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodneſs, and loving kindneſs, to us and to all men (* *particularly to thoſe who deſire now to offer up their praiſes and thankſgiving, for thy late mercies vouchſafed to them.*) We bleſs thee for our creation, preſervation, and all the bleſſings of this life; and above all, for thine ineſtimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beſeech thee, give us that due ſenſe of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we may ſhew forth thy praiſe, not only

* This is to be ſaid when any that have been prayed for, deſire to return praiſe.

with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourſelves to thy ſervice, and by walking before thee in holineſs and righteouſneſs all our days, according to the goſpel of thy Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

A concluding Prayer.

ALMIGHTY God, who haſt given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common ſupplications unto thee; and haſt eſpecially encouraged us by thy beloved Son, our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, to make known our humble requeſt unto thee; fulfil now, O Lord, the deſires and petitions of thy ſervants, as may be moſt expedient for them; granting us in this world the knowledge of thy truth; and, in the world to come, life everlaſting. *Amen.*

One

One of these valedictory forms of blessing to be used at the discretion of the Minister.

THE grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us all evermore. *Amen.* 1 *Cor.* xvi. 23. *Philip.* iv. 23.

May the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, make us perfect, strengthen, settle us. To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. *Amen.* 1 *Pet.* v. 10, 11.

The LORD bless us and keep us; the LORD make his face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us; the LORD lift up the light of his countenance upon us, and give us peace now and for evermore. *Numb*, vi. 24, 25, 26.

SECOND SERVICE.

Miniſter.

GOD ſpake theſe words, and ſaid, I am the LORD thy God: Thou ſhalt have none other Gods but me.

II. Thou ſhalt not make to thyſelf any graven image, nor the likeneſs of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou ſhalt not bow down to them, nor worſhip them: for the LORD thy God am a jealous God, and viſit the ſins of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; and ſhew mercy unto thouſands of them that love me, and keep my commadments.

III. Thou

III. Thou ſhalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold him guiltleſs that taketh his name in vain.

IV. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days ſhalt thou labour, and do all that thou haſt to do: but the ſeventh day is the ſabbath of the LORD thy God: In it thou ſhalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy ſon, and thy daughter, thy man-ſervant and thy maid-ſervant, thy cattle and the ſtranger that is within thy gates. For in ſix days the LORD made heaven and earth, the ſea, and all that in them is, and reſted the ſeventh day: wherefore the LORD bleſſed the ſeventh day, and hallowed it.

V. Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

VI. Thou

VI. Thou ſhalt do no murder.

VII. Thou ſhalt not commit adultery.

VIII. Thou ſhalt not ſteal.

IX. Thou ſhalt not bear falſe witneſs againſt thy neighbour.

X. Thou ſhalt not covet thy neighbour's houſe, thou ſhalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his ſervant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his aſs, nor any thing that is his.

Hear alſo what our Saviour Chriſt ſaith: "The firſt of all the commandments is, hear, O Iſrael; the LORD our God is one LORD; and thou ſhalt love the LORD thy God, with all thy heart,

heart, and with all thy ſoul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy ſtrength. This is the firſt commandment. And the ſecond is like, namely this; thou ſhalt love thy neighbour as thyſelf: there is none other commandment greater than theſe." *Mark* xii. 29, 30, 31.

People.

LORD have mercy upon us, and write thy laws in our hearts we beſeech thee.

¶ *The following introductory Prayer to be read, or omitted, at diſcretion.*

LET thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of thy ſervants; and that we may obtain our petitions, teach us, at all times, to aſ-

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ſuch things as ſhall pleaſe thee; and grant that thoſe things which we aſk faithfully, we may obtain effectually, for thy mercy's ſake in Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *The following Litany, or general ſupplication, to be ſaid by the Miniſter and People*

O GOD, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things that are therein; have mercy upon us ſinners.

O God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things that are therein; have mercy upon us, ſinners.

Remember not, LORD, our offences, nor

nor the offences of our forefathers; and for the glory of thy name turn from us all thoſe evils which we have moſt juſtly deſerved. Spare us good LORD, ſpare thy people; and have compaſſion on the work of thine hands.

Spare us, good LORD.

From all evil and miſchief, from ſin, from dangerous temptations, from thy diſpleaſure, and from future condemnation;

Good LORD, *deliver us.*

From all blindneſs of heart, from pride, vain-glory, and hypocriſy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableneſs;

Good

Good LORD, *deliver us.*

From fleſhly luſts that war againſt the ſoul, and from all the deceitful allurements of this tranſitory world;

Good LORD, *deliver us.*

From lightning and tempeſt; from plague, peſtilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from untimely death;

Good LORD, *deliver us.*

From all ſedition, privy conſpiracy and rebellion; from hardneſs of heart, and contempt of thy word and commandments;

Good LORD, *deliver us.*

In all time of our tribulation, in all time of our proſperity, in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment;

Good LORD, *deliver us.*

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We ſinners do beſeech thee to hea
us, O LORD God; and that it ma
pleaſe the to rule and govern all th
ſincere worſhippers, in the right way

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD

That it may pleaſe thee to direct an
preſerve in the true worſhipping o
thee, in righteouſneſs and holineſs o
life, thy ſervant George our king an
governor;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD

That it may pleaſe thee to guide hi
heart in thy faith, fear and love, tha
he may ever more put his truſt in thee
and ever ſeek thy honor and glory;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to be his de-
fender and keeper, and to proſper al
his righteous undertakings againſt hi
enemies;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That

That it may pleaſe thee to bleſs and preſerve the Queen, the prince of Wales, and all the royal family;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to illuminate all the Miniſters of thy goſpel, with true knowledge and underſtanding of thy word, and that both by their preaching and living, they may ſet it forth and ſhew it accordingly;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to endue the lords of the council, and all the nobility, with grace, wiſdom and underſtanding;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD,

That it may pleaſe thee to bleſs and keep the magiſtrates; giving them grace to execute juſtice, and to preſerve peace;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to bleſs and keep all thy people;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to give to all nations, unity, peace, and concord;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to give us an heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That in may pleaſe thee to give to all thy people increaſe of grace, to hear meekly thy word, and to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to bring into the way of truth all ſuch as have erred and are deceived;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to ſtrengthen ſuch as do ſtand, and to comfort and help the weak-hearted, and to raiſe up them that fall, and finally to give us the victory over all temptations;

We beſeech thee to hear us good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to ſuccour, help and comfort, all that are in danger, neceſſity and tribulation;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to preſerve all that travel by land or by water; all women labouring of child; all ſick perſons. and young children, and to ſhew pity upon all priſoners and captives;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to defend and provide for the fatherleſs children

and widows, all that are deſolate and oppreſſed, and eſpecially all thoſe that ſuffer for righteouſneſs-ſake;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to have mercy upon all men;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to forgive our enemies, perſecutors, and ſlanderers, and to turn their hearts;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to give and preſerve to our uſe the kindly fruits of the earth, ſo that in due time we may enjoy them;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

That it may pleaſe thee to accept our ſincere repentance, to forgive us all our ſins, negligences, and ignorances

ces; and to lead us to amend our lives ccording to thy holy word;

We beſeech thee to hear us, good LORD.

Min. Glory be to God in the higheſt;

People. *And on earth peace: good will towards men.*

¶ *Then ſhall be read the firſt leſſon, taken out of the Old Teſtament. After that ſhall be ſaid one of the following portions of Pſalm* cxix. *or* ciii.

PSALM CXIX.

BLESSED are they that are undefiled in the way, and walk in the aw of the Lord.

Bleſſed are they that keep his teſtionies; and ſeek him with their whole eart.

For they do no wickedneſs: they alk in his ways.

Thou haſt charged that we ſhall diligently keep thy commandments.

O that my ways were made ſo direct, that I might keep thy ſtatutes!

So ſhall I not be confounded, when I have reſpect unto all thy commandments.

I will thank thee with an unfeigned heart, when I ſhall have learned the judgments of thy righteouſneſs.

I will keep thy ſtatutes: O forſake me not utterly.

O LORD, thy word endureth for ever in heaven.

Thy truth alſo remaineth from one generation to another: thou haſt laid the foundation of the earth, and it abideth.

They

They continue this day according to thine ordinance; for all things ſerve thee.

If my delight had not been in thy law, I ſhould have periſhed in my trouble.

I will never forget thy commandments; for with them thou haſt quickned me.

I am thine, O ſave me; for I have ſought thy commandments.

The ungodly laid wait for me to deſtroy me: but I will conſider thy teſtimonies.

I have ſeen an end of all perfection; but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, God only wiſe;

Anſ. Be honour and glory, through Jeſus Chriſt, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

PSALM CIII.

PRAISE the LORD, O my ſoul; and all that is within me praiſe his holy name.

Praiſe the LORD, O my ſoul; and forget not all his benefits;

Who forgiveth all thy ſin; and healeth all thine infirmities;

Who ſaveth thy life from deſtruction; and crowneth thee with mercy and loving kindneſs;

Who ſatisfieth thy mouth with good things; ſo that thy youth is renewed as the eagle's.

The LORD executeth righteouſneſs and judgment, for all them that are oppreſſed with wrong.

He

He ſhewed his ways unto Moſes; his works unto the children of Iſrael.

The LORD is full of compaſſion and mercy; long-ſuffering, and of great goodneſs.

He will not always contend; neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

He hath not dealt with us after our ſins: nor rewarded us according to our wickedneſſes.

For as the heavens are high above the earth, ſo high is his mercy alſo toward them that fear him.

As far diſtant alſo as the eaſt is from the weſt, ſo far hath he removed our ſins from us.

Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children, even ſo is the LORD tenderly compaſſionate towards them that fear him.

For

For he knoweth whereof we are made; he remembereth that we are duſt.

The days of man are as graſs; for he flouriſhes as a flower of the field.

For as ſoon as the wind goeth over it, it is gone; and the place thereof ſhall know it no more.

But the merciful goodneſs of the LORD endureth for ever and ever, upon them that fear him; and his righteouſneſs upon children's children;

Even upon ſuch as keep his covenant; and think upon his commandments to do them.

The LORD hath prepared his throne in heaven; and his kingdom ruleth over all.

O praiſe the LORD, ye angels of his, ye that excel in ſtrength; ye that ful-

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fil his commandment, and hearken unto the voice of his words.

O praiſe the LORD, all ye his hoſts; ye ſervants of his that do his pleaſure.

O ſpeak good of the LORD, all ye works of his, in all places of his dominion; praiſe thou the LORD, O my ſoul.

Now, unto the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, God only wiſe;

Anſ. Be honor and glory, through Jeſus Chriſt, for ever and ever.

Then ſhall follow the ſecond leſſon, out of the New Teſtament: and after that ſhall be ſaid Pſalm xix.

PSALM XIX.

THE heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament ſheweth his handy works.

Day

Day unto day uttereth ſpeech, and night unto night ſheweth knowledge.

Though they have no ſpeech nor language; yet their voice is heard.

Their ſound is gone out into all lands; and their words into the end of the world.

In them hath he ſet a tabernacle for the ſun, which cometh out of his chamber as a bridegroom, and rejoiceth as a mighty man to run his courſe.

He cometh forth from the uttermoſt part of the heavens, his circuit is unto the end thereof again; and there is nothing hid from his heat.

The law of the LORD is an undefiled law, converting the ſoul; the teſtimony of the LORD is ſure, and giveth wiſdom unto the ſimple.

The

The ſtatutes of the LORD are right, and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, and giveth light unto the eyes.

The fear of the LORD is clean, and endureth for ever; the judgments of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.

More to be deſired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; ſweeter alſo than honey, and the honey-comb.

Moreover by them is thy ſervant taught, and in keeping of them there is great regard.

Who can tell how oft he offendeth? O cleanſe thou me from my ſecret faults!

Keep thy ſervant alſo from preſumptuous ſins: let them not have dominion over me; ſo ſhall I be upright, and innocent from the great offence.

Let

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart, be always acceptable in thy ſight, O LORD, my ſtrength and my Redemer! *Amen.*

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, inviſible, God only wiſe;

Anſ. Be honor and glory, through Jeſus Chriſt, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *Any one, or all, of the following Prayers, to be read at diſcretion.*

For faith in Chriſt.

O ALMIGHTY God, who haſt called us with a holy calling, grant us ſo perfectly, and without all doubt, to believe in thy Son Jeſus Chriſt, as the way, the truth and the life, that we may be eſtabliſhed in the truth of thy goſpel, and our faith, in thy ſight, may never be reproved. May we forſake all covetuous deſires, inordinate love

of riches, and carnal affections, forthwith give up ourſelves obediently to fulfil thy holy commandments, and ſtedfaſtly walk in the way that leadeth to eternal life. *Amen.*

For the imitation of Chriſt.

O GOD, whoſe bleſſed Son was manifeſted that he might take away our ſins, and make us the ſons of God and the heirs of eternal life, grant we pray thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourſelves even as he is pure. In every time of difficulty and temptation, may we ſtedfaſtly look up to heaven, and by faith behold the glory that ſhall be revealed; and having followed the example of our Saviour's humility, patience, and obedience, may we, at length, become partakers of his reſurrection, and be made like unto him in his everlaſting and glorious kingdom. *Amen.*

For

For the divine government of the Church.

O GOD, the Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, grant that all chriſtian miniſters may diligently preach thy holy word, and the people obediently follow the ſame. May all who are called by the name of Jeſus, conſtantly ſpeak the truth, boldly rebuke vice, and if need be, patiently ſuffer for the truth's ſake. But we beſeech thee, O LORD, if it ſeem good in thy ſight, that the courſe of this world may be ſo peaceably ordered by thy governance, that thy church my joyfully ſerve thee in all godly quietneſs. Pour into every heart that moſt excellent gift of charity, the very bond of peace, and all virtue, without which, whoſoever liveth is accounted dead before thee. Thou haſt built thy church upon the foundation of the prophets and apoſtles,

les, Jesus Christ himself being the ead corner-stone; grant that we, and l christians, may be so joined to- ether, in unity of spirit, by their octrine, and so follow them in all god- living, that we may be made an ho- temple, acceptable unto thee, and ome at last to those unspeakable joys, hich thou hast prepared for them at unfeignedly love thee, by Jesus hrist our Lord. *Amen.*

For the divine protection and blessing.

O GOD, the preserver of all that fear, love, and trust in thee, keep , we beseech thee, under the pro- ction of thy good providence; put way from us all hurtful things, and ve us those things which may be pro- able for us. Increase and multiply on us thy mercy, that, thou being r ruler and guide, we may so pass

through things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal, *Amen.*

For heavenly mindedness.

LORD of all power and might, who art the author and giver of all good things, grant unto thy people that they may love that which thou dost command, and desire that which thou dost promise, that so among the sundry and manifold changes of the world our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found, at thy right hand for evermore. We humbly offer all our requests unto thee, in the name of thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall be said the Lord's Prayer and the Prayer following.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done

arth as it is in heaven: Give us this
ay our daily bread; and forgive us
ur treſpaſſes, as we forgive them that
eſpaſs againſt us: And lead us not
to temptation, but deliver us from
vil; For thine is the kingdom, the
ower and the glory, for ever and ever.
men.

A general Thankſgiving.

ALMIGHTY God, Father of all
mercies, we thine unworthy ſer-
nts, do give thee moſt humble and
arty thanks for all thy goodneſs, and
ving kindneſs to us and to all men
*(*particularly to thoſe who deſire now to offer up their praiſes and thankſgivings for thy mercies vouchſafed unto them.)* We
s thee for our creation, preſervati-
and all the bleſſings of this life;

This is to be ſaid when that have been prayed deſire to return praiſe.

but above all, for thine ineſtimabl
love in the redemption of the world b
our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, for the mean
of grace, and for the hope of glor
And we beſeech thee give us th
due ſenſe of all thy mercies, that o
hearts may be unfeignedly thankful
and that we may ſhew forth thy prai
not only with our lips, but in o
lives; by giving up ourſelves to t
ſervice; and by walking before th
in holineſs and righteouſneſs all o
days, according to the goſpel of t
Son Jeſus Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

A concluding Prayer.

ALMIGHTY God, who haſt gi
en us grace at this time with o
accord to make our common ſuppli
tions unto thee; and haſt eſpecia
encouraged us by thy beloved S
our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, to make kno

ur humble requeſts unto thee; fulfil ow, O Lord, the deſires and petitions f thy ſervants, as may be moſt expe- ient for them; granting us in this orld the knowledge of thy truth; nd in the world to come, life everlaſ- ng. *Amen.*

THE grace of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt be with us all evermore. *Amen.* *Cor.* xvi. 23. *Philip.* iv. 23.

END OF SECOND SERVICE.

THIRD SERVICE.

This Service to be introduced by the following addreſs from the Miniſter, the congregation riſing up.

Miniſter.

HEAR all ye people, give ear all ye inhabitants of the world; the ORD GOD omnipotent reigneth. he heavens and the earth praiſe him; e ſeas, and every thing that moveth erein. Sing unto the Lord, and ve thanks at the remembrance of s goodneſs; truſt in him at all times people; pour out your hearts be re him: God is a refuge for us.

People.

Truly our ſouls wait upon God; from him cometh our ſalvation.

¶ *The introductory Prayer; to be rea by the Miniſter alone.*

MOST great and glorious LORD our GOD! The univerſe, i every part, declares thy exiſtence, an ſpeaks thy praiſe; and we, inhab tants of this lower world, would no offer up unto thee our united homag encouraged by thy impartial goodne and thy gracious promiſes in the go pel of thy Son. May we worſhip the the Lord our Maker, Preſerver, an Benefactor, with fear, gratitude, an love; celebrate thy praiſes, with u derſtanding and devotion: and he the inſtructions of thy word, with a tention, candour and humility: th

by all the means of grace we may grow wiſer and better, may attain that peace of mind which is the peculiar portion of thy ſervants here, and at laſt become partakers of that happineſs, which eye hath not ſeen, which ear hath not heard and which it hath not entered into the the heart of man to conceive.

Theſe our petitions we preſent unto thee, in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the following Hymn, for celebrating the divine Peefections, is to be recited by the Miniſter and People, alternately, all ſtanding.*

Miniſter.

WE praiſe thee O God, we acknowledge and adore thee, as the one, true, and living God; who art eternal independent, and unchangeable; the

the greateſt, wiſeſt, and beſt of Beings; the confidence and joy of every virtuous creature, to whom thou haſt made thyſelf known.

Thou haſt made Heaven, and the Heaven of Heavens, with all their Hoſts; the Earth, and all things that are therein. We worſhip thee more eſpecially as the Creator of Man. Thy hands have made and faſhioned us, thou haſt breathed into us the breath of life, and by thine inſpiration haſt given us underſtnding.

People.

O Lord how manifold are thy works! in wiſdom haſt thou made them all.

Miniſter.

Thou preſerveſt all nature in exiſtence; thou diſpoſes all things by counſels

ſels which cannot err; thou maintaineſt the beauty and order of thy works. All creatures are ſubject to thy direction, and thou aſſigneſt them their proper ſtation and duty.

People.

They continue to this day according to thine ordinances, for all are thy ſervants.

Miniſter.

O thou moſt high God, thy govern-ment is righteous, thy providence is perfect, and all thy commandments are holy juſt and good. The obedience of all reaſonable creatures is due to thee alone, the King of kings, the Judge of all.

People.

People.

We bow before thee, thy willing ſubjects; thy commandments are true, and righteous altogether.

Miniſter.

O LORD, we revere thine almighty power, thy unerring wiſdom, and thy perfect holineſs; but in a more eſpecial manner would acknowledge, with unfeigned love and cheerful truſt, thine infinite and everlaſting goodneſs. Thou art the fountain of happineſs, and thou diffuſeſt bleſſings through the whole creation. The heavens declare thy glory, the earth is full of thy goodneſs; the day is thine, the night alſo is thine, and thou makeſt the morning and evening to rejoice. Thou alone art worthy to receive glory, honour, and praiſe from all thy creatures.

People.

People.

There is none good but one, and that is God.

Miniſter.

O God, our Creator, Sovereign, and Benefactor, while we rejoice in the being we have received from thee, and yield a willing ſubmiſſion to all the orders of thy government, we addreſs thee as our heavenly Father, who haſt made us to bear thine image, and haſt offered us the privileges of thy children. Thou knoweſt our frame, thou remembereſt that we are but duſt, thou haſt encouraged us to caſt our burdens upon thee, and no good thing wilt thou withhold from them that walk uprightly.

People.

Like as a Father pitieth his children, ſo the LORD pitieth them that fear him.

Min-

Miniſter.

Praiſe the LORD, ye his Angels that excel in ſtrength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Praiſe ye the LORD, all ye his Hoſts, ye Miniſters of his that do his pleaſure. Praiſe the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

People.

Praiſe the LORD, O my ſoul.

¶ *Here a Pſalm of praiſe may be ſung, or the firſt leſſon read; either, or both; at the choice of the miniſter. After which, the Service may proceed with the following Thankſgiving, the congregation riſing up.*

Miniſter.

Let us offer the ſacrifice of thankſgiving

giving, and call upon the name of the Lord.

Thankſgiving.

EVER gracious and moſt merciful Father, we render unto thee our ſincere thanks, for the manifold bleſſings we have continually received, and ſtill receive, from thy hands; and we deſire to recollect them with lively ſentiments of gratitude, and with hearty purpoſes to act agreeably to them.

Thou haſt exerciſed a wiſe and gracious care over us, from the beginning of that life which thy goodneſs at firſt beſtowed; by thee are all our wants ſupplied, from thee all our enjoyments proceed, and thou crowneſt our days with loving kindneſs and tender mercies. We bleſs thee for the food which ſupports us, the refreſhment of our wearied

wearied powers, our raiment, our habitations, and all the fruits of our labour. We thank thee for the gift of reaſon, and the treaſures of knowledge thou haſt opened to our view; that thou haſt formed us for the practice of religion; that thou haſt given us ſo many opportunities for the devout cultivation of our minds, and the attainment of our true happineſs; that we are endued with ſocial affections, are placed in a ſocial ſtate, and enjoy ſuch a variety of pleaſures from the eſteem and friendſhip of our brethren. To thy goodneſs we aſcribe all the preſent conſolations and joys of ſincere, though defective holineſs, the trials thou haſt appointed for the improvement of our nature here, and the clear proſpect of a more perfect ſtate hereafter.

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People.

We give thanks unto the LORD, for
e is good, for his mercy endureth for
ver.

Minister.

We bless thee, O LORD, for the va-
ous dispensations of thy providence
favor of religion and the happiness
mankind, in the several ages of the
rld. Above all we thank thee, for
e display of the exceeding riches of
grace in Christ Jesus; whom thou
t sent to declare unto us thy will;
uffer and die, that he might redeem
from iniquity; to lead us, by his
venly instructions and excellent ex-
ple, to the love and practice of uni-
al goodness; to assure us of pardon
acceptance, upon repentance and
ness of life; to lay open before us

the ſolemnities of a future judgment
and confirm unto us the joyful hop
of glory, honor and immortality.

People.

Bleſſed be the God and Father
our Lord Jeſus Chriſt; for he is goo
for his mercy endureth for ever.

Miniſter.

We thank thee, heavenly Fath
that notwithſtanding our holy religi
was corrupted, and its divine light d
kened, we now poſſeſs ſo many adva
tages for knowing the truth as it is
Jeſus, and enjoy our chriſtian privile
in peace, none being permitted to
up and make us afraid.

People.

Bleſſed be the LORD our God,
he is good, for his mercy endureth
ever.

Here a Pſalm may be ſung, and after that the ſecond leſſon read; either or both; at the choice of the Miniſter. Then the Service may proceed with the following confeſſion of ſin, and prayer for pardon and grace: the Miniſter and people all kneeling.

Miniſter.

He who covereth his ſins ſhall not ſper, but he who confeſſeth and keth his ſins, ſhall obtain mercy.

Confeſſion, &c,

LMIGHTY and moſt merciful Father; we confeſs that in many gs we have all ſinned againſt thee. have departed from the holy com- dment delivered unto us; we have unmindful of the divine inſtructi- e have received, the great exam- t before us, and the precious pro-

miſes to which we are called. Our on
hope is in thy mercy: on thy mer
thou haſt encouraged us to hope. Th
art not willing that any ſhould peri
but that all ſhould repent and li
Suffer us not, O LORD, to continue
our tranſgreſſions, but ſave us from t
dominion of them. Aſſiſt us, we
ſeech thee, in the future courſe of
lives, to act agreeably to the profeſſ
we make, and the deſires we now
preſs before thee. Give us ſuch a d
perſuaſion of the evil of ſin, and
importance of a holy life, that we
carefully abſtain from all iniquity,
be filled with the fruits of righteouſn
which are by Jeſus Chriſt to thy p
and glory. Vouchſafe unto us the l
of thy countenance; and eſtabliſh
minds with a ſenſe of thy approba
and the hope of thy favor, unto
nal life.

People.

LORD have mercy upon us, and incline our hearts to keep thy law.

Then shall be read the following prayers for the knowledge and improvement of religious truths, and the discharge of particular duties, as they more immediately respect our Creator, our fellow-creatures and ourselves: the congregation still kneeling, and saying Amen, at the conclusion of each prayer.

O GOD, the Father of lights, and source of wisdom, enlighten our minds with all divine truths: may it sink deep into our hearts, and influence our whole conduct. *Amen.*

Having stedfast faith in thy perfections, may we order our whole conversation as in thy sight. Incline us to thy worship, and all the duties of piety.

May we preſerve a conſtant regard t
thy perfect adminiſtration, enjoy th
gifts of thy bounty with thankfulnes
and paſs thro the afflictions of life wit
patience and reſignation. Grant tha
in humility and meekneſs we may wal
before thee; and being content wit
ſuch things as we have, may leave, wit
filial confidence, all future events t
thy wiſe and gracious appointmen
Let the manifeſtation of thy mercy, b
Jeſus Chriſt, fill our hearts with grat
tude, excite in us a hatred of ſin, an
engage us to excel in every thing whic
thou, the righteous Judge approve
and wilt finally reward. By the know
ledge and remembrance of thee, wh
alone art good, and by the hope we a
encouraged to entertain of thine aſſiſ
ance, may we be animated in the cu
tivation of all good principles, and th
practice of all good works. *Amen*.

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ASSIST us, gracious God, in the discharge of all ſocial duties. May we be honeſt in our dealings, ſincere in our profeſſions, and ſtedfaſt in our engagements; may we delight in doing good, be ready to relieve the poor, and ſhew compaſſion to all who are in diſtreſs; may we be grateful to our friends, forgive our enemies, and always do unto others, as we would they ſhould do unto us. *Amen.*

ESTABLISH in our ſouls, we humbly pray, a deſire to bear a nearer reſemblance to thee, the original of all perfection. May our minds be purified from all corrupt paſſions; may we acquire a more perfect command over ourſelves; proceed after the example of Jeſus, in the unwearied purſuit of the great end for which life with all its bleſſings was beſtowed; and thus abide

in a ſtate of continual preparation for that heavenly kingdom, into which nothing unholy can ever enter. *Amen.*

A prayer reſpecting external things.

O GOD, our heavenly Father, to the direction of thy providence we entirely commit ourſelves. Safe under thy protection, and happy in thy favor, we would cheerfully follow where thou pleaſeſt to conduct us. Deliver us, we beſeech thee, from the ſnares of proſperity and adverſity. Suffer us not to forget thee in our abundance, or to queſtion thy faithfulneſs in our diſtreſs. In health and in ſickneſs, in life, and in death, may we lift up our ſouls unto thee, evermore rejoicing in thine eternal goodneſs, and always thankful for the bleſſings we receive; and may we ſo paſs through

the changing ſcenes of the preſent world, that we may finally become partakers of that everlaſting happineſs, which thou haſt promiſed to thy faithful ſervants by Chriſt Jeſus. *Amen.*

For all mankind.

O God, the Father of all mankind, we rejoice in thy univerſal providence, a nd pray that thy whole family upon earth may perceive thy hand in the advantages they enjoy, and bleſs thy name. Give unto all the diſciples of thy Son, juſt ſentiments of the nature and tendency of their holy religion, fill their hearts with love to thee and to each other, may they approve themſelves faithful ſervants of their common Lord, and become inſtruments of extending his kingdom in the world. O Thou, who wouldeſt have all men to be ſaved, cauſe the light

light of the Goſpel to ſhine upon thoſe who ſit in darkneſs. May it diſpel prejudice, correct every evil affection, and make all the nations righteous and happy. May wiſe and equal government, peace, liberty, and good order, become univerſal, the advantages of ſociety be multiplied, and the beſt intereſt of mankind ſecured. *Amen.*

For our country, and all conditions of men.

TO thee, our righteous Governor, we commend our native country. Lead us to a general reformation of manners, and forgive our paſt offences. May true religion prevail among all orders of men. Preſerve us from all public calamities; bleſs our colonies; give us the fruits of the earth in their ſeaſon; may our commerce be rendered the inſtrument of moral good, and crowned

crowned with thy bleſſing; may we enjoy the bounties of thy providence in tranquility, and our diſtinguiſhing privileges be handed down to ſucceeding generations.

May it pleaſe thee to bleſs our King. Give him evermore a wiſe and underſtanding heart; proſper his juſt undertakings; and after much uſefulneſs and happineſs in this world, advance him to thine everlaſting kingdom.

May the Queen, the Prince of Wales, and all the royal family, be faithful in diſcharging the duties of their high ſtations, and rejoice in thy favor here and for ever.

[* We beſeech thee to bleſs the high

* This Prayer to be read only when the Parliament is ſitting.

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court of Parliament. May all its members be men fearing God, uncorrupt, and hating coveteouſneſs; lead them wiſely to diſcern, and ſteadily to purſue the true welfare of theſe kingdoms, and proſper every meaſure which tends to promote it.]

May the Judges, and all magiſtrates, diſpenſe juſtice with impartiality, and exert their influence to promote righteouſneſs. Give the rich humility, moderation in the enjoyment of their abundance, and a diſpoſition to do good: and may the poor be ſober, honeſt, diligent, contented, and cheerfully confide in thy providence.

O God of mercy, we humbly beg thy favorable regard to all our brethren in affliction. May thy wiſdom be their direction, thy power their ſupport, and thy goodneſs the anchor of their hopes.

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Remove their ſorrows, if it be thy holy will, and by patience under their ſufferings, a wiſe improvement of them, and a thankful acknowledgment of thy mercies, may they be prepared for exalted happineſs in a future world.

May the young remember their Creator, and be thou the guide of their youth. May thy rod and ſtaff ſupport thy aged ſervants, and as their outward man decayeth, let their inward man be renewed day by day.

May all the miniſters of religion recommend thy truth in their public ſervices, adorn it in their lives, and be directed in the way of righteouſneſs to their true honour and their higheſt happineſs. *Amen.*

A concluding Prayer.

O GOD, the author of all good, the Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt,

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we humbly offer to thy gracious acceptance, our praiſes and prayers, in his name. We rejoice that thou haſt exalted him to thy right-hand, to be a Prince and a Saviour; and haſt promiſed by him, to beſtow immortal life upon all thy faithful ſervants. We deſire to become his diſciples in deed and in truth, and in his words, conclude our preſent requeſts. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy will be dome on earth, as it is in heaven: give us this day our daily bread: forgive us our treſpaſſes, as we forgive them that treſpaſs againſt us: and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amem.*

FOURTH SERVICE.

¶ *This Service to be introduced with the following addreſs from the miniſter, the congregation riſing up.*

Miniſter.

GIVE unto the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and ſtrength. O come, let us worſhip and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker; for he is our God, and we are his people, and the ſheep of his paſture. Let us come into his preſence with thankſgiving, and into his courts with praiſe;

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by prayer and ſupplication let us make our requeſts known unto him. For the LORD is good, his mercy is everlaſting, and his truth endureth to all generations.

People.

It is good for us to draw nigh unto God; it is pleaſant, and praiſe is comely.

Introductory Prayer.

Miniſter.

O THOU, who heareſt prayer, who ſearcheſt the heart, and who muſt be worſhipped in ſpirit and in truth; may we now enter upon the ſolemnities of devotion, with juſt views of thy perfections, and the end of religious homage; may we contemplate and adore the glories of thy nature, with profound veneration and ſacred joy; may we

we preſent our thankſgivings, with lively gratitude; may we confeſs our ſins, with contrite ſpirits; may we ſupplicate thy pardon, with unfeigned charity to all mankind, and holy purpoſes of amendment; may we hear thy word, with underſtanding and obedient hearts; and implore thy future bleſſing, under a juſt ſenſe of our dependance upon thy providence, with ſtedfaſt reliance on thy wiſdom and goodneſs, cheerful reſignation to thy will, and a ſupreme deſire of thy favor, as our greateſt good for time and eternity.

We offer up our praiſes and prayers, as the diſciples of Jeſus Chriſt, thy well beloved Son; by whom the whole family upon earth may come, with confidence, unto thee the Father of all, to obtain mercy, and find grace to help, in time of need.

People.

May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in thy ſight, O LORD, our ſtrength and our Redeemer.

¶ *Then the following Hymn, for celebrating the divine perfections is to be recited by the miniſter and people alternately, all ſtanding.*

Miniſter.

O LORD our God, we acknowledge and adore thee as the one, living, and true God, the Creator of all things viſible and inviſible: there is none beſides thee.

People.

Unto us there is but one God, to whom be glory for ever.

Miniſter.

Miniſter.

Thou art from everlaſting to ever-
ſting without beginning of days, or
d of years; thou liveſt and reigneſt
r ever and ever.

People.

We magnify thee, the high and lofty
e who inhabiteſt eternity.

Miniſter.

Thou dwelleſt in light inacceſſible
full of glory, whom no man hath
or can ſee.

People.

Thou paſſeſt by us, but we behold
not; thou workeſt on the right
d and on the left, but we cannot
ceive thee.

Miniſter.

Whither ſhall we go from thy ſpirit
or whither can we flee from thy pre
ſence! Thou compaſſeſt our path an
our lying down; thou filleſt heave
and earth.

People.

In thee we live, and move, and hav
our being.

Miniſter.

Thine is the greatneſs, and the po
er, and the glory, and the majeſty;
things in heaven and earth are thi
and thou art Lord over all.

People.

Thou art great, and greatly to
feared; thy greatneſs is unſearchab

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Miniſter.

O LORD, thou knoweſt all things; thou ſeeſt the end from the beginning; thou art wiſe in heart, wonderful in counſel, and excellent in all thy works.

People.

To the only wiſe God, be honor and glory for ever.

Miniſter.

Who ſhall not fear thee, O LORD, and glorify thy name, for thou art holy. Thou art of purer eyes than to look upon iniquity, but thy countenance beholdeth the upright.

People.

Holy and reverend is thy name.

Miniſter.

Thy righteouſneſs is like the great

mountains; thy truth reacheth to the heavens; juſtice and judgment are the everlaſting foundation of thy throne.

People.

Juſt and true are all thy ways, O King of ſaints.

Miniſter.

Thou art good, and thou doeſt good continually. All creatures wait upon thee, thou openeſt thy hand, and they are filled with good. Like as a Father pitieth his children, ſo the LORD pitieth them that fear him; and thou cauſeſt thy ſun to ſhine, and thy rain to fall upon the evil and unthankful. The earth is full of the goodneſs of the LORD.

People.

Every good and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of Lights.

Miniſter

Miniſter.

While we live, will we praiſe thee, O LORD, we will ſing praiſes unto our God, while we have any being; we will ſpeak of the glorious honor of thy majeſty, and of thy wonderous works; we will abundantly utter the memory of thy great goodneſs, and ſing of thy righteouſneſs. But who by ſearching can find out God! who can find out the Almighty to perfection! Of thee, through thee, and to thee, are all things; with thee there is no variableneſs nor ſhadow of turning; thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever.

People. *Amen.*

¶ *Here a Pſalm may be ſung, and after that the firſt leſſon read; either, or both; at the choice of the Miniſter. After*

which, the Service may proceed with the following Thankſgiving, the congregation riſing up.

Miniſter.

Let us offer up unto God the ſacrifice of praiſe, giving thanks unto his name.

Thankſgiving.

Miniſter.

With gratitude and joy would we ever acknowledge thee, O God, as our gracious Creator, and conſtant Benefactor. We adore thy perfect benevolence as diſplayed in our exiſtence itſelf, in the formation of our bodies, and the conſtitution of our minds. Thou haſt created us in thine own image, and made us capable of an everlaſting improvement in the knowledge, love,

ove, and reſemblance of thee: thou aſt crowned us with glory and honor.

People.

We bleſs the LORD for his goodneſs, nd his wonderful works to the chil- ren of men.

Miniſter.

Thy mercy hath followed us all our ays. Thou holdeſt our ſouls in life, hou feedeſt us with food convenient r us, and our cup runneth over.

People.

Bleſſed be the God of our ſalvation ho daily loadeth us with benefits.

Miniſter.

With our whole hearts would we ank thee, O LORD, that to the gift life the powers of our nature, and the

our numberleſs temporal mercies, thou haſt added the clear diſcovery of thy being and perfections, of the relation we ſuſtain to thee, of thy will concerning us, of the great principles of thy government, and of a future everlaſting ſtate of impartial recompence.

We render thee our grateful thanks for the former diſpenſations of thy grace by thy ſervants the prophets, but more eſpecially for the miſſion of thy well-beloved Son. We rejoice in him as the way, the truth, and the life; and we bleſs thee for all the benefits we derive from the glad tidings he publiſhed, the excellence of his doctrine, the purity of his character, the ſufferings he endured, the death to which he gave himſelf up, his reſurrection from the dead, and his exaltation to thy right-hand.

People

People.

Bleſſed, for ever bleſſed, be the God and Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt, for his wonderful works to the children of men.

Miniſter.

How precious are thy thoughts unto us, O God, how great is the ſum of them. The bleſſings we receive immediately from thy hand; the benefits which reſult from the exerciſe of our various powers; the advantages and pleaſures we derive from the ſeveral relations we bear to our fellow creatures, and the kind offices of brotherly love; every good we now enjoy, and every hope of future good, are alike the gifts of thy paternal bounty. Our help cometh from thee alone, and to thy great name be the glory and the praiſe for ever.

People. *Amen.*

¶ *Here*

¶ *Here a Pſalm may be ſung, and after that, the ſecond leſſon read; either, or both; at the choice of the Miniſter. Then the Service may proceed with the following confeſſion of ſin, and prayer for pardon; the Miniſter and congregation all kneeling.*

Miniſter.

IF we ſay we have no ſin, we deceive ourſelves, and the truth is not in us. If we confeſs and forſake our ſins, God is faithful and juſt to forgive us our ſins, and to cleanſe us from all unrighteouſneſs.

Let us therefore unite in the penitent acknowledgment of our offences, and in ſupplication for the divine pardon, aſſiſtance, and bleſſing.

Confeſſion

Confeſſion of ſin, &c.

ALMIGHTY and moſt merciful Father, we have ſinned againſt thee, and are not worthy to be called thy children; we have diſregarded thine authority, and abuſed thy goodneſs; in numberleſs inſtances have we neglected the performance of our duty, and have often tranſgreſſed thy holy commands. With godly ſorrow we would confeſs our guilt, and ſeek thy pardon: we acknowledge the wiſdom and the grace of thoſe terms upon which thou haſt offered ſalvation to us by Jeſus Chriſt, and would thankfully embrace them: for the ſake of that mercy which ſent him to redeem us from iniquity, accept our unfeigned repentance, our pious reſolutions, and remember our offences no more.

People.

People.

Hear us in heaven, thy dwelling-place; and when thou heareſt, forgive.

¶ *Then ſhall be read the following prayers, the congregation ſtill kneeling, and ſaying, Amen, at the concluſion of each prayer.*

For divine aſſiſtance.

FATHER of mercies, thou giveſt grace unto the humble; and with deep humility we would ſeek thy bleſſing upon every good purpoſe we form, and all our endeavours to walk worthy of our holy vocation.

Help us to ſubdue the power of every ſinful habit, to purify our hearts from all defilement, to abſtain from every preſumptuous tranſgreſſion, and to fly from the appearance of evil.

Ceaſing

Ceaſing to do evil, may we learn to do well. Hence forth may the ſame mind be in us, which was alſo in Chriſt Jeſus. May we make haſte and delay not, to keep all thy commands; may thy law become our delight; and never ſuppoſing that we have attained perfection, but forgetting the things which are behind, may we preſs forward toward the mark, for the prize of the high calling of God in Chriſt Jeſus. *Amen.*

For Piety.

O THOU who art ſupremely great and good, lead us to a wiſe improvement of the advantages we enjoy for acquiring the knowledge of thee, from the works of nature, the ways of thy providence, and the inſtructions of thy word. As far as our limited capacities will admit, may we ſee thee

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as thou art, all excellence in thyſelf, and all goodneſs to thy creatures; may we be ever mindful of thy continual preſence; and may reverence, gratitude, truſt, ſubmiſſion, a concern to reſemble thee as obedient children, and obtain thy paternal favor, become perpetual and ruling principles within us. May we love the LORD our God, with all our hearts, our ſouls, our minds, and our ſtrength. *Amen.*

For good will to all mankind.

UNDER the influence of the firſt and great commandment, may we regard all mankind as brethren; may we always deſire their welfare, and however ſmall our ability, uniformly ſtrive to promote it. More eſpecially in our nearer connexions with each other may all bitterneſs, anger, pride, envy

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and evil ſpeaking be put away from us, with all malice. May meekneſs and truth, juſtice and equity, kindneſs, long-ſuffering and forgiveneſs form our temper, and govern our conduct. May we rejoice with all that rejoice, and weep with all who weep; may we be grateful to thoſe that do, or wiſh us good, and do good even to thoſe who hate us. As members of the ſame body of Chriſt, who died for all, and children of one father, who is good to all, may we do to others as we would they ſhould do unto us. *Amen.*

For ſelf-government and temporal good.

ASSIST us we beſeech thee, in the government of ourſelves. Lead us to cultivate a more lively faith in Jeſus, as thy Son, in the doctrine which he taught, and the great end of his di-

vine miſſion. To this faith, may we add fortitude in reſiſting every temptation, whether ariſing from proſperity or adverſity, from evil example, or the corrupt habits of our own minds. As thine intelligent offspring, and diſciples of Chriſt, may we add to our fortitude, temperance; ſteadily and cheerfully ſacrificing every unlawful gratification to our duty, and our eternal happineſs. May we pay a conſtant attention to the diſcipline of our thoughts principles, words, and actions; may we particularly watch againſt thoſe ſins which moſt eaſily beſet us; may we redeem the time we have loſt, and well improve the ſhort, uncertain, remnant of our days.

Sincerely deſirous to uſe the world as not abuſing it, and ſeeking in the firſt place the kingdom of God, and the righteouſneſs

righteouſneſs thereof, we humbly pray that thou wilt add every needful good unto us. Feed us with food convenient for us; grant us health of body and cheerfulneſs of mind, if conſiſtent with our everlaſting welfare, but above all, that peace of God which paſſeth all underſtanding, which the world can neither give nor take away. O thou eternal ſource of good, lift up the light of thy countenance upon us, while we continue upon earth; ſupport us when we go down to the houſe appointed for all the living; and when he who is our life ſhall appear may we alſo appear with him in glory.

People.

The LORD grant that we may find mercy of the LORD in that day.

Prayer for all mankind.

ALMIGHTY and everlaſting God, who art well pleaſed with the interceſſions and thankſgiving of thy cretures in behalf of each other, we thank thee for every expreſſion of thy goodneſs to the human race, and beſeech thee to extend our peculiar advantages to all mankind. More eſpecially may all the kingdoms of the earth be brought to the knowledge of thee, the only true God, and of Jeſus Chriſt whom thou haſt ſent. May all who profeſs the faith of Chriſt be ſhining examples of goodneſs, may the ſpirit of perſecution for ever ceaſe, and may truth and righteouſneſs, peace and charity every where abound. *Amen.*

For

For our country.

MOST gracious God, who from thy throne doſt behold all the dwellers upon earth, look down with mercy, we pray thee, npon the kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and all the dominions thereunto belonging. May our ſins be repented of, forſaken, and forgiven; and may the principles of piety, benevolence, and univerſal holineſs be cultivated and reduced to practice, by all ranks of men among us. Preſerve us from all calamities; bleſs us with healthful times and fruitful ſeaſons; may our preſent mercies be well improved, and long continued; may every real good be imparted, and the advantages by which thy favor hath diſtinguiſhed us, be handed down inviolate to the lateſt poſterity. *Amen.*

For all in ſtations of truſt and authority

MAY it pleaſe thee O God, to bleſs the king, his counſellors, and all the magiſtrates of this land, with integrity and wiſdom; may they faithfully diſcharge the duties of their ſtations; and under them may we lead quiet and peaceable lives, in all godlineſs and honeſty. *Amen.*

For the Queen and royal Family.

WE beſeech thee O LORD, to viſit with thy favor, the Queen, the Prince of Wales, and all the royal family. Grant them exalted wiſdom, virtue and happineſs in this world, and in that which is to come, life everlaſting. *Amen.*

For

For the Parliament, to be read only during their ſeſſion.

O GOD of wiſdom, preſide, we intreat thee, in the great Council of the nation, at this time in Parliament aſſembled; direct and proſper all their conſultations to the advancement of thy glory, and to the ſafety, honor, and welfare of theſe kingdoms. *Amen.*

For the Miniſters of religion.

O GOD, the Father of lights, endue the miniſters of the Goſpel, of every denomination, with the ſpirit of Chriſt Jeſus. May they diligently purſue the good work of inſtructing the ignorant, reforming the vicious, and improving the juſt; and by the holineſs of their lives, and the excellence of their doctrine, may they ſave themſelves, and thoſe who hear them. *Amen.*

For

For the afflicted.

O THOU whoſe compaſſion faileth not, we humbly look up unto thee in behalf of our afflicted brethren, *(and particularly thoſe for whom our prayers are deſired)* beſeeching thee that, if it be conſiſtent with the purpoſes of thy unerring wiſdom and perfect goodneſs, thou wouldſt viſit them with mercy, according to their ſeveral neceſſities. Be thou a father to the fatherleſs, and the defender of the widow; provide for the poor; grant health to the ſick, eaſe to thoſe who are in pain, and comfort to thoſe who mourn. Interpoſe for the relief of the oppreſſed, and more eſpecially for thy faithful ſervants who are in any manner perſecuted for righteouſneſs ſake. Give all thy ſuffering people fortitude, ſubmiſſion, and conſolation

conſolation in the day of trial; and at length, an eternal deliverance from every affliction. *Amen.*

Concluding Prayer

ALMIGHTY and moſt merciful God, accept, we beſeech thee, the praiſes and prayers we have now preſented unto thee, and do for us abundantly above all we can aſk or think, for the ſake of that perfect goodneſs, which is eſſential to thy nature, which is the foundation of all our hopes, which is the everlaſting principle of thy government, and which was eminently diſplayed in the redemption of the world by Jeſus Chriſt, our Lord and Saviour; in whoſe words we now conclude this act of worſhip. Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy will be

be done on earth, as it is in heaven: give us this day our daily bread: forgive us our treſpaſſes, as we forgive them that treſpaſs againſt us: and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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